

Prior acts of Board  
and Registrars.

Short title.  
43 Stat. 713; 45 Stat.  
902.  
D. C. Code § 2-1331.

Anfr. p. 781.

Effective date.

"SEC. 32. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING LEGISLATION.—All laws or parts of laws and regulations promulgated thereunder in conflict with the provisions of this Act shall be, and the same are hereby, repealed."

SEC. 5. Nothing contained in this Act shall be construed to affect the force or validity of any act of the Board of Examiners and Registrars of Architects performed prior to the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 6. The Act of December 13, 1924, as amended by the Act of May 29, 1928, and by this Act, may be cited as the "Architects' Registration Act".

SEC. 7. The term "effective date of this subsection" as used in section 19 of the Architects' Registration Act shall mean the effective date of this amendatory Act.

SEC. 8. This Act shall take effect ninety days after its enactment.

Approved September 7, 1950.

[CHAPTER 909]

AN ACT

September 7, 1950  
[H. R. 6343]  
[Public Law 766]

Relating to customs duties on articles coming into the United States from the Virgin Islands.

Virgin Islands.  
Duties on U. S. im-  
ports.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 3 of the Act entitled "An Act to provide a temporary government for the West Indian Islands acquired by the United States from Denmark by the convention entered into between said countries on the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, and ratified by the Senate of the United States on the seventh day of September, nineteen hundred and sixteen, and for other purposes", approved March 3, 1917 (39 Stat. 1133; 48 U. S. C., 1946 edition, sec. 1394), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following sentence: "In determining whether such a Virgin Islands article contains foreign material to the value of more than 20 per centum, no material shall be considered foreign which, at the time the Virgin Islands article is entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption, may be imported into the continental United States free of duty generally."

Approved September 7, 1950.

[CHAPTER 910]

AN ACT

September 7, 1950  
[H. R. 7265]  
[Public Law 767]

To provide for the conduct of a periodic census of governments.

Periodic census of  
governments.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That (a) the Secretary of Commerce, hereinafter referred to as the Secretary, shall take, compile, and publish for the year 1952 and for every fifth year thereafter a census of governments, to include but not be limited to data on taxes and tax valuations, governmental receipts, expenditures, indebtedness, and employees of States, counties, cities, and other governmental units in the United States and in such of its Territories and possessions as may be determined by the Secretary.

(b) Inquiries, and the number, form, and subdivisions thereof for the census of governments, shall be determined by the Secretary: *Provided,* That nothing in this Act shall be deemed to revoke or impair the authority of any other Federal agency with respect to the collection or release of information.

5 U. S. C. § 1331  
note.

SEC. 2. Sections 7, 8, 11, 12, and 15 of the Act of June 18, 1929 (46 Stat. 21; 13 U. S. C. 207, 208, 211, 212, and 215), as amended by section 404 of the Second Reorganization Plan (53 Stat. 1436), shall

apply to the taking of the census of governments: *Provided, however*, That for the purpose of securing the statistics required by this Act, employees may be appointed and receive compensation in accordance with section 3 of the Act of June 18, 1929 (46 Stat. 21, 13 U. S. C. 203), as amended: *Provided further*, That section 11 thereof, relating to the confidential treatment of data for particular individuals and establishments, shall not apply to information compiled from or customarily provided in public records: *Provided further*, That the Secretary is authorized to acquire by purchase or otherwise from States, counties, cities, or other units of government or their instrumentalities, or from private persons and agencies such copies of records and such reports and other material as may be required for the efficient and economical conduct of the census of governments.

SEC. 3. The Secretary may promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary in the conduct of the census of governments, and he may delegate authority to perform any functions herein vested in the Secretary to officers and employees under his direction and supervision.

SEC. 4. Section 7 of the Act of March 6, 1902 (32 Stat. 52, 13 U. S. C. 111), as amended, is further amended by deletion of that portion reading: "to social statistics of cities; to public indebtedness, valuation, taxation, and expenditures;"

Approved September 7, 1950.

[CHAPTER 911]

AN ACT

To amend the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, with respect to sound-recording materials for use in connection with moving-picture exhibits.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That paragraph 1551 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, is hereby amended by changing the period at the end thereof to a colon and by adding thereafter the following new proviso: "*Provided further*, That on photographic or magnetic film, tape, wire, or other material of any kind on which sound has been recorded abroad by photography, magnetism, or any means whatsoever, and which is suitable for use in reproducing sound in connection with moving-picture exhibits (not including any of the foregoing which is photographic film on which pictures have been recorded, or any of the foregoing which is provided for in paragraphs 1615 (c) or 1726 of this Act, as amended), the duty shall be 1 cent per linear foot, except that this rate shall not apply to any article so long as a lower duty is in effect therefor pursuant to a proclamation issued under section 350 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, to carry out a trade agreement entered into prior to July 1, 1950."

Approved September 7, 1950.

[CHAPTER 912]

AN ACT

To amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act, approved July 11, 1916 (39 Stat. 355), as amended and supplemented, to authorize appropriations for continuing the construction of highways, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Federal-Aid Road Act approved July 11, 1916 (39 Stat. 355), and all Acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, and for continuing the construction and reconstruction of highways in accordance with the provisions of the

13 U. S. C., Sup. III,  
§ 203.  
46 Stat. 21.  
13 U. S. C. § 211.

Acquisition of copies  
of records, etc.

Rules and regula-  
tions.

13 U. S. C., Sup. III,  
§ 111.

September 7, 1950  
[H. R. 7447]  
[Public Law 768]

Tariff Act of 1930,  
amendment.  
46 Stat. 670.  
19 U. S. C. § 1001,  
par. 1551.

52 Stat. 1092; 46  
Stat. 670.  
19 U. S. C. § 1201,  
pars. 1615 (c), 1726.  
Foot, p. 798.  
48 Stat. 943.  
19 U. S. C. § 1351,  
Sup. III, § 1351.

September 7, 1950  
[H. R. 7941]  
[Public Law 769]

Federal-Aid High-  
way Act of 1950.  
Appropriations  
authorized.  
23 U. S. C. § 48 and  
note.